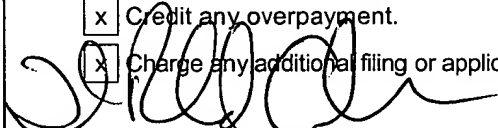


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Applicant(s): Haruo SOEDA et al.					
Invention: IMAGE OUTPUTTING SYSTEM					
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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated May 17, 2005, finally rejecting claims 6-9 and 13 please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.